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COUNTRY: Greece

SUBJECT: Aliveri Lignite Mine

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1. "The Aliveri Lignite Mine has already reached a production of 1500 tpd and is expected to reach the two thousand tpd mark, as planned, by the end of 1954. All the lignite produced is transported by rail to the nearby power plant. The mine was developed by the FOA and the top technical staff consists of US, Canadian, and Greek engineers who are going to take over after the foreign engineers leave.
2. "The mine is an exemplary one for this country and one of the largest. It has modern surface installations with excellent unloading arrangements in the steel headframe, direct flow of the lignite to the loading bins, a hoist with many safety features, workshops, a safety department with over six self-contained oxygen breathing apparatuses, etc. Underground, the main entries are circular, fully concreted openings for the transportation of the lignite by overhead-wire trolley locomotives, pulling two-ton cars on 60-pound, one-meter gauge rails. A 100 thousand-cfm blower fan pushes about 65 thousand cfm of air into the mine.
3. "On 27 Mar 54, some 20 top men of the mining industry visited this unique mine through the courtesy of FOA."

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